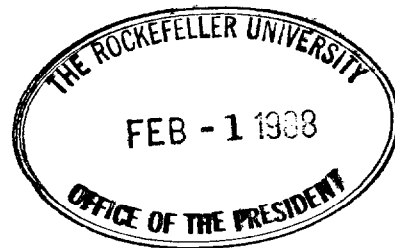


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Dear Josh:

On behalf of the staff and Trustees of The Pew Charitable Trusts, I want to thank you once again for your commitment to ensuring the success of the Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences. I thought we had a very informative and productive day in New York, and appreciate very much not only your time and commitment to the discussions, but also your excellent review of the applications.


I found our luncheon meeting very helpful as well. With respect to program enhancements, we will postpone these projects until we have had the benefit of talking with some of the Scholars, and also are closer to the time where we must direct our attention to alumni. The suggestions of involving a small number alumni at future annual meetings, as well as encouraging participation as reviewers and, if appropriate, as members of the Advisory Committee offer several opportunities for their continued involvement. I agree that we do not want to "overplay" the networking component of the program and, given that the annual meetings have been so successful, perhaps we will concentrate our attention on enhancing this component of the program.

✓ As decided, we will continue to plan for the 1989 annual meeting in Mexico, and I would encourage you to call Bob Berliner with any suggestions on location, speakers and program ideas. I have suggested to Bob that we find an appropriate location which does not compromise the scientific exchange of the Scholars and invite speakers from the local scientific and policy community to join us at the meeting site. In addition, we might also arrange for three or four scientists to spend the three days with us as reactors. Finally, I have encouraged Bob to identify three or four opportunities for field visits, and arrange for the Scholars to identify their interest in such activities prior to the meeting. I anticipate that probably 20 to 30 Scholars will be anxious to visit laboratories, health care facilities and other sites that might be deemed appropriate by Bob and his planning group. I would encourage these

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Scholars to do so in groups of five to seven on an elective basis as their interest dictates. By having the meeting in an appropriate location with outreach activities for interested Scholars and the opportunity to "import" scientists I think we will address many of the issues raised in our discussion. We are clearly in need of additional suggestions, and again I encourage you to call Bob directly with your thoughts.

As has been the case in the past, I am sure we will learn from each new experience, and with your good guidance and support we will continue to enhance the excellence of the program over the next several years.

I apologize for having to leave so abruptly from the meeting, however, a few "small fires" at the office required me to catch the 5:00 train. I want to take this opportunity, however, to again thank you for your commitment to this program, and also for your personal friendship and support. I will look forward to talking with you at our meeting in March if not before.

Sincerely,



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